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Guided Missile Cruiser USS SHILOH (CG 67) to Host Public Tours During Combat Systems Assessment at NAVSEA Port Hueneme

USS SHILOH (CG 67), an Aegis Cruiser will welcome the public aboard for ship tours on Saturday, September 8, 2001 while visiting NAVSEA Port Hueneme for a Combat Systems Assessment. Tours will be held at Port Hueneme's wharf 3 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Tours are free of charge, take approximately 45 minutes, and are given by the ship's crew.

SHILOH, the 21st cruiser in the TICONDEROGA class, is homeported in San Diego, California. Captain William E. Dewes is the Commanding Officer of SHILOH. The 567 foot long ship was commissioned in 1982, and has a crew of 33 Officers, 27 Chief Petty Officers and 340 Enlisted personnel.

The Cruiser will be in port from September 7-12 for a complete assessment of her combat and weapons systems. During the assessment, the NAVSEA Port Hueneme team of engineers and logisticians will evaluate all of SHILOH's combat systems to ensure they are operating as safely and effectively as possible. The assessment will include operational, maintenance, tactical and safety training.

Located at Naval Base Ventura County's Port Hueneme site, NAVSEA Port Hueneme, a component of the Naval Sea Systems Command, is the Navy's premier in-service engineering and logistics center and has been in existence for 38 years. NAVSEA Port Hueneme provides test and evaluation, in-service engineering, and integrated logistics support for weapon systems installed in the United States Navy fleet, United States Coast Guard fleet, and many foreign Navy fleets. NAVSEA Port Hueneme's vision is to provide safe, effective, and affordable weapon systems that enable ships and Sailors to fight and win.

Visitors interested in touring SHILOH must enter the Naval Base Ventura County-Port Hueneme through the Sunkist Street gate and follow the signs to wharf 3.

For further information, please contact the NAVSEA Port Hueneme Public Affairs Office at (805) 228-6150.